

Budget Unit Brief

FY 2017



County Fair Improvements

Purpose and History

The County Fair Improvements appropriation is made from the Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund (RIIF) and goes to the Iowa Association of County Fairs. Funds are used for vertical infrastructure improvements at the 105 county fairs in the Association. Examples of projects include renovations to sheep barns, grandstand roofs, offices, adding Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant restrooms and showers, new hoop buildings, new cattle barns, repairs due to storm damage, new community centers and exhibit buildings, renovations to main auditoriums, and remodeling of horse barns.

Funding

This is an annual appropriation from the RIIF. The appropriation is made in the Infrastructure Appropriations Act. The appropriated funds are paid to the Treasurer of State for allocation to the Association of Iowa Fairs. The Association distributes the moneys to eligible fairs. The Association's Board of Directors determines the amount allocated to each fair and is approximately \$10,000 each annually. In order to be eligible for funding, a fair must file with the Association on or before November 15 of each year. The Treasurer is required to allocate to the Association the total amount to be paid by the Association. The Act specifies the nonreversion of funds appropriated for four fiscal years.

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code chapter [174](#)

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More Information

Iowa Association of County Fairs: <http://www.iowafairs.com/>

Iowa General Assembly: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/index.aspx>

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